

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-12, drawn to compounds and compositions of formula 1 where variables n, D, G, and Ar are defined as one or two, $(CH_2)_{1-2}$, -A- $(CH_2)_{1-2}$, N, and benzoisothiazole, respectively;

Group II, claims 1-8 and 11-12, drawn to compounds and compositions of formula 1 not covered by Group I.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-12.

By way of clarification, Applicants note that the definition of the variable "n" in Group I is not correct. The Examiner should note that in claim 1, "n" is set forth as being either 0 or 1, not "1 or 2" as described above for Group I claims. Applicants suppose that $n = 0$ or 1 will be examined presently.

The Examiner has further required an election of species of the invention for initial search and examination. Applicants accordingly elect the species of the compound of formula [9], as recited in the present claim 9. This election is made with the understanding that, if the elected species is found patentable, the Examiner will continue the examination of additional species to determine if a generic claim (e.g. claim 1) is patentable.

Claims 1-4 and 7-12 read upon the elected species. All but claim 9 are generic or sub-generic.

CONCLUSION

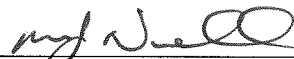
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell, Registration No 36,623 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

- ☐ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☐ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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